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SUBJECT: WASHINGTON VISIT OF PAUL KAYA OF ENTENTE FUND

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1. PAUL KAYA, ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY OF THE ENTENTE FUND, PLANS TO MAKE HIS USUAL SPRING VISIT TO WASHINGTON MONDAY, MAY 1 AND TUESDAY, MAY 2. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY VINCENT BROWN, THE ENTENTE FUND SENIOR AMERICAN ADVISER, WHO EXPECTS TO ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON BEFORE KAYA ON APRIL 24. AID IS ALREADY ARRANGING A SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS FOR KAYA, INCLUDING ASST. ADMIN BUTCHER AND OTHER AID OFFICIALS, AS WELL AS APPOINTMENTS ON CAPITOL HILL (REFTELS).
2. KAYA TELLS ME THAT HE WOULD PARTICULARLY APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET YOU WHILE HE IS IN WASHINGTON TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON AFRICAN DEVELOPMENTS. KAYA, AS YOU KNOW, IS FROM CONGO/BRAZZAVILLE AND, THOUGH HIMSELF A MODERATE ON MOST ISSUES, HE HAS MAINTAINED CONTACT WITH BRAZZAVILLE AUTHORITIES. HE IS CLOSE TO HOUPHOUET, AS WELL AS TO OTHER ENTENTE LEADERS, AND IS EXTREMELY WELL-INFORMED ON WEST AFRICAN ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL AFFAIRS.
3. I THINK THAT IF YOU ARE IN WASHINGTON DURING KAYA'S TWO-DAY

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VISIT, YOU AND BILL HARROP WOULD FIND IT INTERESTING AND WORTHWHILE TO TALK WITH HIM. HE IS A GOOD FRIEND OF THE UNITED STATES, BUT IS ALSO INDEPENDENT-MINDED AND OBJECTIVE IN HIS JUDGMENTS. AMONG OTHER SUBJECTS, IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO DRAW HIM OUT ON WAYS IN WHICH THE UNITED STATES CAN INCREASE UNDERSTANDING OF U.S. POLICY AMONG AFRICAN MODERATES IN GENERAL AND FRANCOPHONE MODERATES IN PARTICULAR.

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